

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application and are subject to a restriction requirement and an election requirement.

The Office Action identifies two distinct inventions and two patentably distinct species within each invention:

Group I: claims 1-13 drawn to an optical assembly

IA) Claims 1-7: optical assembly with a convexity/groove arrangement

IB) Claims 8-13: optical assembly with a concavity/convexity arrangement

Group II: claims 14-15 drawn to a method of making an optical assembly

IIA) Claim 14: forming optical elements on convexities

IIB) Claim 15: forming optical elements on concavities

The Office Action indicates the Applicant must restrict the claims to one of the groups and must elect one of the species within the restricted group.

Applicant restricts the application to Group I, cancels the claims in Group II, and elects Species IA, claims 1-7, with traverse because species IA and IB are not patentably distinct.

Respectfully submitted,



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